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line 24, after "iron" insert --type--

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Line 14, delete "amount"

line 15, delete "from"

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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Claim 1. (Amended) A three-piece solid golf ball comprising a core, an intermediate layer formed on the core, and a cover covering the intermediate layer, wherein the core has a JIS-C surface hardness of 65 to 83 and a deformation [amount] of 2.8 to 5.3 mm when applying [from] an initial load of 10 kgf to a final load of 130 kgf on the core, a JIS-C hardness of the core is substantially uniform from its center to surface, the intermediate layer has a Shore D hardness of 63 to 70, the cover has a Shore D hardness of 45 to 62, and a Shore D hardness difference between the intermediate layer and the cover [of] is 3 to 20.

Please add the following new claims:

--Claim 6. The three-piece solid golf ball according to Claim 1, wherein the core has a JIS-C surface hardness of 67 to 81.

✓ Claim 7. The three-piece solid golf ball according to Claim 1, wherein the intermediate layer has a Shore D hardness of 64 to 68.

Claim 8. The three-piece solid golf ball according to Claim 1, wherein the core has a deformation of 3.0 to 5.0 mm.

A2 Claim 9. The three-piece solid golf ball according to Claim 1, wherein the cover has a Shore D hardness of 50 to 60.

Claim 10. The three-piece solid golf ball according to Claim 1, wherein the cover has a Shore D hardness of 55 to 60.

✓ Claim 11. The three-piece solid golf ball according to Claim 6, wherein the intermediate layer has a Shore D hardness of 64 to 68.

✓ Claim 12. The three-piece solid golf ball according to Claim 11, wherein the core has a deformation of 3.0 to 5.0 mm.